



Yuma County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Minutes of the Meeting February 13, 2014

PRESENT:

Mario Avalos, Helena Chemical Corporation, Group 5
Michael Callahan, Gowan Milling, Group 5
Chief Paul DeAnda, Somerton-Cocopah Fire Department, Group 2
Jeff Denman, citizen at large, Group 4
Gary Elk, Western Precooling, Group 5
Mike Erfert, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2
Greg Ferguson, Yuma County Board of Supervisors, Group 1
Earl Hamilton, MCAS Disaster Preparedness, Group 2
John Hannon, Rural Metro, Group 2
Manuel Hernandez, City of Yuma Environmental, Group 2
Ema Lea Shoop, citizen at large, Group 4
Lt. Darren Simmons, Representing Sheriff Leon Wilmot, Alternate Group 1
Cynthia Snyder, American Red Cross, Group 4
Cathi Lara, Yuma County Office of Emergency Management, Group 2
Noel Robles, Shaw Inc., Group 2
David Slade, Yuma Cogeneration Associates, Group 5
Rosario Zavala, Quechan Police Department, Group 2
Bryan Longoria, Kevin Tunell Alternate, Group 3

ABSENT:

Michelle Smith, Health Department, Group 2
Kevin Tunell, Communications Director, Group 3
John Andoh, YCIPTA, Group 2
Tim Beeler, MCAS Yuma, Group 2
Michael Kemp, Driscoll's, Group 5
Neil Sparks, RSC Rental, Group 5
Denise Whisman, Ferrell Gas, Group 5
Sheriff Leon Wilmot, Group 1
Warren Quirk, Excel Group / WORC Center, Group 5
Robert Barocio, Yuma Proving Grounds, Group 2
Chief Jeff Philpot, Wellton Department of Public Safety, Group 2
Enrique Medina Ochoa, Group 2
Maria (Patti) Michael, Land O'Lakes Company, Group 5

Mark Hutsell, Yuma Regional Medical Center, Group 2
Gary Koehn, Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, Group 5
Tony Badilla, Emergency Management Director, Group 2

We were able to make a quorum of 10 persons present with all groups represented from Group 1, Group 2, Group 3, Group 4 and Group 5.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Manny Hernandez called the meeting to order at 0930 hours at the Yuma County Public Health Auditorium 2200 W 28th Street, Yuma, Arizona on 13 February 2014.

2. INTRODUCTION:

Members and guests present introduced themselves. Guests present included

Phil Hillesheim, Bureau of Reclamation
Ross Chapa, US Border Patrol
Jeff McBride, US Border Patrol
Michael Weeks, Yuma Regional Medical Center
Bart Edwards, APS
Michael Wagner, ASPC-Yuma
Kimberly Tschigg, YCAT
Brian Hoon, YPG
Charles Ruerup, YPG
Tricia Ramdass, Yuma County Public Health

3. MINUTES:

Upon motion of Michael Erfert with second by Jeff Denman, the minutes of the meeting held 12 December 2013 were approved.

4. 10- MINUTE TRAINING/PRESENTATION:

Manny Hernandez, Chairman gave a short PowerPoint on LEPC history and purpose.

5. GRANT STATUS:

Cathi Lara, Financial Assistant, Yuma County Office of Emergency Management announced that:

- a. HMEP \$5,000 competitive portion was spent to Yuma Area Ammonia Safety Days.
- b. HMEP non-competitive portion has not been expended.

6. MEMBERSHIP STATUS

6a: Approval of Renewals

Al Krieger, non-responsive; sent letter. Motion to remove Al Krieger from LEPC Group from Greg Ferguson with second from Lt. Darren Simmons. Opposed by Paul Deanda.

6b: Introduction of potential members; possible action on Membership Applications

Michael Walton, Yuma Fire Department, Group 2
Dawn Holts, Achieve Human Services, Group 2
Bart Edwards, Arizona Public Service, Group 5

Upon motion from Greg Ferguson with Second from Mike Erfert Michael Walton Application was approved.

Upon motion from Greg Ferguson with second from John Hannon the application for Bart Edwards was approved.

Dawn Holts did not appear for meeting.

6c: Approval of Designated Alternate

None at this time

6d: Approval of Resignation

Lester Pate, Group IV of APS
Phil Smithers, Group IV of APS

Cathi Lara from YC OEM received an email that Lester and Phil have moved from area and they would not be on LEPC Group any longer.

Upon motion by Ema Lea Shoop with second by Greg Ferguson to approve resignation of Lester Pate and Phil Smithers.

7. New Business- Discussion and Possible Action:

7a: Discussion and possible action regarding local incidents.

None

7b. Discussion and Possible action regarding 10th Annual Yuma Area Ammonia Safety Day
Planning moving forward to have a LEPC –Yuma County Booth 1-2 people per couple of hour time period to promote local LEPC. Discussion of HAZ Mat transportation routes was discussed.

8. Old Business- Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Type 3 Incident Management Team- Mike Erfert discussion of classes for specific job training- EMI – Fire academy of 12 months class for whole incident management systems together.

9. Chair Status Report, Chairman Manny Hernandez

Manny Hernandez reminded committee that there is a webinar for EPA on February 26th from 5-7pm pacific time.

10. Public Comment or Committee Review of the LEPC Emergency Response Plan

None.

11. Good of the Order/Announcements

Manny Hernandez: City of Yuma Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency (HAZWOPER) Certification scheduled for summer time.

Earl Hamilton announced MCAS Full scale exercise scheduled on February 24-28th. Hazardous Household Collection event- not many people showed up but it is spring time.

12. Call to the Public

No one from the public was available to answer the call.

13. Adjourn

Upon motion by Paul Deanda with second by Lt. Darren Simmons, and with no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1018 hours.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2014 at Yuma County Health Auditorium located at Yuma County Public Health at 2200 W 28th Street Yuma, AZ. 85364

Thank you,

Cathi Lara

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Financial Assistant

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